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## Spring 2015 Citizen Leadership Academy Schedule

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### March 18

Session I     Maricopa 101 - An Overview  
6 PM   City Hall Council Chambers

This introductory course will provide a synopsis of the Council-Manager form of government.

**Speakers:**

Christian Price, Mayor  
Gregory Rose, City Manager

### March 25

Session II     Recording Our History/Economically Prosperous Future  
6 PM   City Hall Council Chambers

The roles that Boards, Commissions, and Committees play and the structure of the organization.

See how Maricopa attracts new business and employment opportunities and how the City communicates its messages in the city, the valley and beyond.

**Speakers:**

Vanessa Bueras, City Clerk  
Economic Development Director & Economic Development Staff

### April 8

Session III     Above all else...Safety  
6 PM   City Hall Council Chambers

If you've had to call 9-1-1, there is no better feeling to know that help is on the way. Meet the professionals of the Maricopa Police and Fire Departments and learn how they protect the community day in and day out. There will be opportunities to participate in hands-on activities.

**Speakers:**

Chief Steve Stahl, Maricopa Police Department & Police Department Staff  
Chief Brady Leffler, Maricopa Fire Department & Fire Department Staff



## **April 15**

Session IV     You Are the Difference  
6 PM   City Hall Council Chambers

The Community Services Department offers programs and services aimed at supporting Maricopa families and neighborhoods. From youth programs to special events, this network of service focuses on making stronger neighborhoods and a healthier community.

**Speakers:**

Kristie Riester, Community Services Director & Community Services staff

## **April 22**

Working Together for the Community/Building a Community  
6 PM   City Hall Council Chambers

Learn how the City of Maricopa fosters relationships with the Ak-Chin and Gila River tribes as well as state and federal legislators. With a singular goal to work together, the community will benefit.

You will learn the various responsibilities of the Development Services Department and how their work touches your everyday life.

**Speakers:**

Paul Jepson, Intergovernmental Affairs Director  
Development Services Director & Staff  
Bill Fay, Public Works Director & Staff

## **April 29**

Session VI     Making Sense of the Dollars  
6 PM   City Hall Council Chambers

Learn how Maricopa generates revenue and handles expenditures. How are major capital improvements projects funded? Learn how your tax dollars are put to work in our community. In the second half, you will learn how the City of Maricopa fosters relationships with the Ak-Chin and Gila River tribes as well as state and federal legislators. With a singular goal to work together, the community will benefit.

**Speakers:**

Brian Ritschel, Financial Services Director

**Conclusion & Wrap Up**

**May 5                      Graduation Presentation at Maricopa City Council Meeting**

